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Brezhnev For Better Relations With U.S.

Soviet Leader Setting Mood For Talks With Nixon

MOSCOW (AP) — Communist party chief Leonid I. Brezhnev said today Soviet leaders will talk with President Nixon in May from "business-like, realistic positions" and

with the belief improvement of Soviet-U.S. relations is possible.

Speaking to the opening of the 15th congress of trade unions in the Kremlin, Brezhnev said Nixon's visit could take an "important place" among meetings between world leaders.

"We understand very well what the significance of the

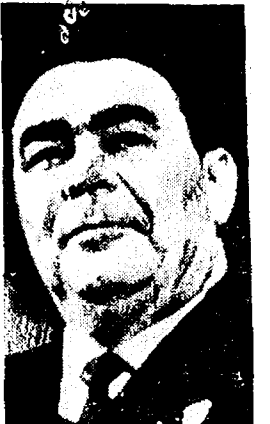
condition of Soviet-American relations has for the life of the people of both countries and for the entire international situation," he said in a speech reviewing Soviet foreign policy.

But in an apparent reference to Soviet support of North Vietnam and the Viet Cong, he said any improvement in Soviet-American relations would not be "at the expense of some

third countries or peoples, not to the detriment of their lawful rights and interests."

Earlier in the speech, Brezhnev expressed full support for his Vietnamese allies and their peace proposals, said the Soviets "wrathfully condemn the bandit bombings of North Vietnamese territory by American

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LEONID BREZHNEV

Illinois Primary Crucial

Democrats Fight
For Top Rating,
Delegate Votes

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Political Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Sen. Edmund S. Muskie is campaigning for a comeback in Illinois, while Eugene J. McCarthy and Sen. George McGovern seek votes in hopes of dealing a double blow to the Democratic presidential campaign of the demoted front-runner from Maine.

The three Democratic rivals campaigned across the state today in the windup of the third heat of the presidential primary season, with Muskie in need of big victories in a pair of contests.

He faces McCarthy Tuesday in a presidential preference vote which is not binding, and McGovern in a complex delegate selection contest which is.

The voters will be choosing 160 of Illinois' 170 delegates to the Democratic National Convention, by far the biggest crop of nominating votes at stake in early season primary contests.

At least half the delegates are expected to remain beyond the reach of either Muskie or McGovern. They will be elected from uncommitted states controlled by the Democratic organization of Chicago Mayor Richard J. Daley.

The presidential rivals are not bucking the mayor in his Chicago domain. Neither entered delegates in five city congressional districts where 56 will be elected. One of the delegate candidates will be Daley himself.

Some two million Illinois voters are expected to cast ballots Tuesday—to have their say on the presidential campaign and to decide whether Lt. Gov. Paul Simon, the Daley-backed candidate, or rival Daniel Walker will be the Democratic nominee for governor.

Incumbent Republican Gov. Richard B. Ogilvie is expected to win the GOP nomination handily over only token opposition.

McGovern is running 104 delegate candidates in 19 of the state's 24 congressional districts. Muskie's organization has endorsed 105 delegate candidates in 17 districts, although

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NAMED IN MAGAZINE STORIES: These four men were mentioned today in stories published by Time and Life magazines about San Diego politics and the selection of that city for the 1972 Republican national convention. Left to right: San Diego Mayor Frank

Curran; John Alessio, wealthy San Diego sportsman now serving a prison term; C. Arnholt Smith, San Diego banker-sportsman, and Herbert W. Kalmbach of Newport Beach, Calif., described as President Nixon's personal attorney. (AP Wirephoto)



U.S. ATTY. STEWARD
Accused by Life

White House Denies Magazine's Charges

Life Claims Nixon's Friends Tampered With Justice

NEW YORK (AP) — Life magazine charges that the Nixon administration "has seriously tampered with justice in San Diego" in an effort to protect some of its most important friends there from criminal prosecutions. The administration denies the charge.

In an investigative report published Sunday, Life said it had learned that "the administration has in several instances taken steps to neutralize and frustrate its own law-enforce-

ment officials" by delaying prosecutions, curtailing investigations and other means.

One of three persons that the magazine alleges was protected by the administration is, however, in prison for the offense for which he was supposed to have received protection.

The article by Life associate editors Denny Walsh and Tom Flaherty also said that President Nixon personally chose San Diego for the site of the Republican national con-

vention next August and that he considers it his "lucky city."

A White House spokesman denied Sunday night that Nixon had had a preference for the convention site. In an interview last July, however, White House communications director Herbert Klein said Nixon favored San Diego.

Corresponding to the tampering charges, the Justice Department issued a statement Sunday night stating "unequivocally that there has been no White House influence or attempted influence, direct or indirect, in the department's investigations and prosecutions."

Life said its investigation, which began last July, disclosed that the administration intervened in three cases, involving C. Arnholt Smith, a long-time friend and financial ally of Nixon; Frank Curran, a former San Diego mayor, and John Alessio, a real estate investor and head of a legal bookmaking operation in Mexico. The magazine said its probe showed that:

—Harry Steward, U.S. attorney for Southern California, "squashed" an investigation of reports that illegal political contributions were being fun-

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Local Mother, Daughter Hurt By Car In London

Two Twin Cities women vacationing in London, England, sustained injuries when they were involved in a car-pedestrian accident while walking on a shopping trip in downtown London.

Injured were Mrs. D. C. (Helen) Cook, of 619½ Lake boulevard, St. Joseph, and her daughter, Mrs. William (Carol) Eckert of 2071 Elm

terrace, Fairplain. Mrs. Cook received a fractured pelvis, while Mrs. Eckert sustained cuts to the head, and bruises and abrasions. Both women were admitted to a London hospital. They were injured last week.

The women and their husbands were on a tour sponsored by the Mercy hospital auxiliary. The tour

was due to return to Benton Harbor on Wednesday.

A spokesman said that Mr. Cook and Mr. Eckert will remain in London until Mrs. Cook is able to travel. It was believed that Mrs. Eckert may be released from the hospital today.

Members of the tour have been staying at the Charles Dickens hotel in London.

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THE HERALD-PRESS

Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher
Bert Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

Writers Hold Doubts About Our Local Judges

Three Letters To Ye Ed in today's edition bitterly assail the local courts' disposition of the Broz case.

Before getting into a discussion of the controversy, a brief restatement of the tragedy is in order.

In the early morning of last December 31st, an automobile stopped near a house in Union Pier.

Two troopers from the New Buffalo State Police post, Gary Rampy and Charles Stark, on patrol at the time, pulled over to check the movements of a male seen getting out of the car and approaching the house.

The man, John William Croxton, 26, already the possessor of a repetitive criminal record, opened fire at the officers. His surprise attack killed both instantly.

A companion patrol car carrying Troopers Robert DenHouten and David Hettinga was in the area.

The shots attracted their attention and in pulling up to the scene they noticed a woman bending over their stricken companions.

The woman, Mrs. Dorothy Pearl Broz, 39, got into the car which sped southward.

Why All The Hurry?

Despite what you may hear, most people are busy. For most persons the tempo has been speeded up until they are constantly in a hurry, living in a rush from morning until night. People travel at top speed to gain minutes for which they have no particular need or use.

Hurry has become a bad habit, a state of mind from which people suffer and for which they pay the penalty in loss of health.

The difference between a car speed of 70 miles an hour and 50 miles is small in the time required to reach a destination. But it can be considerable in terms of safety and the effects upon human nerves.

Motorists who jump the lights to gain a fraction of a second accomplish no more in the course of a day than those who drive deliberately and carefully.

There is no need to hurry through life, missing much of the fun along the way. Those who take it easy and relax frequently discover they aren't half as busy as they thought they were.

Fewer Flunk

College graduates of a decade or two ago who worked hard to achieve a C average very likely could make a B average today. College grades on the average are increasing, with indications relaxed grading systems are responsible.

A study of 435 colleges and universities conducted by an official of San Francisco State College found undergraduate grade averages increased from 2.40 in 1960 to 2.56 in 1969. At the same time scores on college aptitude tests taken by high school seniors declined.

The trend toward higher grades appears to have been accelerating ever since 1968. What is bringing this about apparently is a change in methods of teaching as well as election of courses.

Not all responses to this and other studies were as extreme as that given by a University of Wisconsin senior. "No question about it," he said. "I never go to school any more, and I still get wonderful grades. There's a common consensus here that it's a lot easier to get good grades."

Nevertheless the trend is clear. The only question is whether the students actually are getting smarter, or their pals on the faculty only make them seem as if they are.

DenHouten and Hettinga successfully brought the vehicle to a stop.

They also terminated Croxton's brief career by shooting him in the act of resisting arrest.

Mrs. Broz made no effort to prevent her arrest.

She came before Paul Pollard, a Berrien district judge, for preliminary examination into two counts of murder on January 13th.

Pollard declined to give an immediate ruling on the prosecution's motion to hold Mrs. Broz for trial in circuit court and for her defense counsel's request to dismiss the charges.

He required both sides to submit written briefs on several legal points posed by the evidence introduced by the prosecution.

On March 3d he ruled the evidence failed to show probable cause for holding Mrs. Broz to trial.

The prosecutor, Ronald Taylor, immediately filed an appeal to Julian Hughes, one of Berrien's circuit judges, charging Pollard had abused his discretion in dismissing the charges.

Judge Hughes continued her confinement in the jail until he could review the record from Pollard's hearing.

On March 9th he ruled the record failed to disclose that Pollard had disregarded the evidence or followed an abstruse path in arriving at his decision.

Shortly thereafter, Pollard denied a motion by Taylor to hear further evidence and Mrs. Broz departed the jail.

Much as we appreciate the outrage expressed by today's Letter Writers, it must be kept in mind that to implicate a person in the crime of another, evidence of a positive nature must be shown. The mere presence at the scene of the crime is not enough.

Pollard also rejected as conjectural rather than circumstantial two arguments advanced by the prosecution: Mrs. Broz' ownership of the car and its parked position near the house in the dark. The legal inference is that Troopers Rampy and Stark suspected a design against the house or its occupants and a crime emanating from an interrupted illicit purpose unfolds all involved in the first venture, regardless of their lack of participating in the follow-on crime.

Had the prosecution been able to demonstrate that Mrs. Broz had driven the car prior to the shooting or operated it in the getaway, it would have been home free, at least for the purpose of binding her over for trial.

Since the law cloaks an accused with a presumption of innocence, an examining magistrate who has no final word on guilt or innocence does meet up with some judgment situations which if he were refereeing a sports contest would have the fans calling for his scalp.

The situation is even tougher for a reviewing court, in this instance, Judge Hughes. He has to go by the written record from the lower court and the law does not allow him to substitute his opinion for that of the examining magistrate. The most he can do is to determine if the lower court followed the law's guide lines.

We recognize this Monday morning quarterbacking may not satisfy the reader or today's Letter Writers and that they will be assessing Pollard in their own fashion come November.

There's nothing wrong in that. Referees are hired and fired. Judges are in the same kind of boat.

Mars In Focus

Within only the last decade, the concept of Mars as seen from Earth has changed considerably. It is likely to change still more dramatically in the next few months as Mariner 9 photographs as much as 70 percent of the planet's surface.

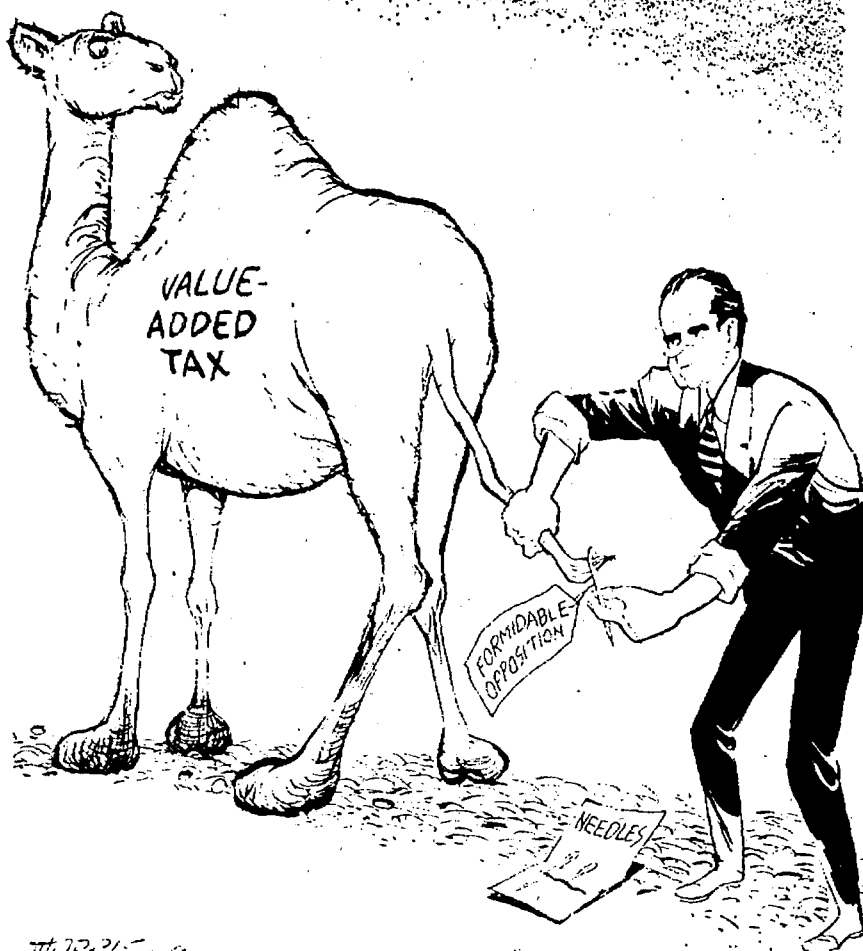
From what is known Mars appears to be a body of extreme topographic contrasts, ranging from deep chasms and craters to large expanses of smooth surface. Interspersed among these are some of the most beautiful and unexplained formations found in the universe to date.

The dust storm, if that is what it is, now eclipsing Mariner 9's orbiting view of the sphere in itself is an unexpected phenomenon. Since the first birds-eye view by Mariner's cameras in 1965, Mars has continued to be full of surprises.

It is not the sister planet to Earth, as thought through generations of astronomy. Neither is it a copy of the moon, a more recent conjecture.

There is ample reason now to believe that Mars is far more unique than that, a raising interesting questions about its origin and relationship to the rest of our planet system.

Well, You Never Know Till You Try!



GLANCING BACKWARDS

MISS ST. JOSEPH RECEIVES CROWN

—1 Year Ago—

Pretty as a picture and popular with the audience, Becky Roberts became Miss St. Joseph of 1971.

Rebecca Renne Roberts, 17,

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudy R. Roberts, 1418 Michigan avenue, St. Joseph, received her crown on the stage of the St. Joseph high school auditorium. She will now represent St. Joseph in the Miss Blossomtime contest Monday, April 10.

MERGER ELECTION TO BE CALLED

—10 Years Ago—

Officials of Three Oaks and Chikaming school districts will go to Lansing next week to seek approval of the superintendent of public instruction to hold a merger election sometime in May.

GERMAN LINES ARE SAGGING

—30 Years Ago—

German demolition squads were reported blasting military stores of bloodstained Kharkov today in apparent preparation for a forced withdrawal from that stronghold of the upper Donets river defense system before Red Army attacks.

A Stockholm dispatch to the London Daily Mail said great fires raged in Kharkov, one-time steel center of 833,000 population 400 miles south of Moscow, and it was obvious "the whole upper Donets line is sagging to the point of collapse."

ORGANIZE

—40 Years Ago—

The newly formed Woman's Republican club of St. Joseph is planning a permanent organization, it is announced by the president, Mrs. M. W. Wells.

NO DAMAGE

—50 Years Ago—

The miniature blizzard which swept through the Michigan fruit belt did not injure the crops in Berrien county, according to County Agent F. L. Simanton. He said it would benefit the crop here as it would retard the swelling of the buds on the fruit trees and keep them from being endangered by another late frost.

REJECT BIDS

—60 Years Ago—

The good roads commission in session at the court house rejected two road bids for the construction of proposed highways and concluded to do the work themselves. Today they are in conference with County Engineer Cleary.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,
The Herald-Press:

WASTED HIS VOTE

It is a distinct disgrace to be one of the few citizens of Berrien County that cast a vote for both Judges Pollard and Hughes.

It's really a national shame that our court systems have ebbed to such an all time low. Common sense has been removed and an era of technicalities now runs rampant.

Troopers Stark and Rampy were murdered. This was not a request on behalf of the officers.

How naive can our Judges get. I suppose the next step would be to sue Troopers Hettinga and DenHouten for false arrest. What would our courts do if everyone pleaded not guilty?

Pollard has announced his intentions on re-election.

I certainly hope the voters remember what type of District Judge he is, and cast their vote accordingly.

Steven DeVries,
Niles.

(Ed. note. See our lead editorial for a different view on this unfortunate case).

Editor,
The Herald-Press:

POLICEMAN'S WIFE ASKS QUESTION

My first and immediate reaction to District Judge Pollard's refusal to bind Mrs. Dorothy Broz over for trial was a shock! My second reaction was to ask my patrolman husband not to report for work.

Why should I let my husband go out each night to face a horrible senseless death like that of a good friend. I feel very disturbed about this non protection for our public servants. I am proud of his choice of a vocation and now fearing for him you can be sure my voice will be heard through my vote in this fall's election.

Most people are of the opinion that policemen are paid to get shot at but are they? Usually their pay is low and certainly would never replace a life. My husband chose his profession proudly 13 years ago to protect justice and he loves it but if our society is changing and becoming so lax perhaps he should change his profession and let someone else catch the lawbreakers.

Mrs. Judith Teske
411 East Main Street
Hartford

Editor,
The Herald-Press:

POLLARD TURNS HER OFF

I feel that it is necessary for a lay person to comment in print on the decision of the Dorothy Broz case by Judge Paul Pollard. The decision itself should never have been made.

Mrs. Broz should have come before a jury and all the evidence been allowed to be heard. It seems she certainly had more than enough time to warn Trooper Stark that Croxton was armed and dangerous.

I spent that day, January 13th, in Judge Pollard's court room and could not believe that this is what an examination is really like. Moreover, I could not believe that Judge Pollard was a judge elected by the majority of the people. His actions are not that of a learned man or of a man that has respect for the Robes of a Judge.

The whole examination was like a bad play between the defense attorneys and the prosecution, with Judge Pollard really putting on the best show. I have never seen anyone in that position (Judge), so perhaps his actions are the accepted way. I hope not.

His tone when talking is not audible, his sitting position is slouched, as is his walking, and in general, there is an air of uncertainty.

Now, I know that actions alone are not all that is necessary for this job and that knowledge has more to do for it than anything else. All I can say to this is that when Judge Pollard made the statement that he knew nothing about a certain law ruling and had never made it a point to learn anything about it because he did not feel it was necessary, I could not believe what he was admitting before all the people in the courtroom.

If it had not been for the Broz case, I would not have gone to the Courtroom. Therefore, I would have never seen Judge Pollard in action. I am now urging the voting public to go and listen to and view the men that will be running and then make their decisions.

Judge Pollard should not be re-elected this time.

A person should be judged by their peers and I do not feel that this man is my peer.

Three Oaks Housewife.

Ray Cromley

U.S. May Ease Moscow Trade



WASHINGTON (NEA) — Within the next few months, President Nixon may ease restrictions on the export of high technology machinery and equipment to the Soviet Union.

At the same time, the President is expected to take positive steps aimed at easing the hurdles facing Russian exports to this country.

It is known that Nixon's Soviet specialists have told these steps would not present serious dangers to the United States so long as American shipments to Russia do not contribute directly to advanced military systems.

These Moscow watchers argue that the Russian system — except for its high-priority military-industrial complex — is inherently so bogged down in bureaucratic supervision, that an easing of U. S. restrictions and a step-up in Russian imports of advanced industrial equipment will not enable the Soviet Union to significantly narrow the industrial-economic gap with this country.

The Soviet Union already is buying machinery and equipment in west Europe and Japan to the limit of its ability to pay. It is straining to purchase the imported foods its people require. To buy appreciably more in the United States or anywhere else would put a severe strain on Moscow's gold reserves.

Russia will find it extremely difficult to expand its sales to the United States, even under more favorable terms. For the Soviet Union produces little Americans want at the quality and prices they insist on.

Russia has a future export potential, on paper, of huge dimensions. She has underdeveloped petroleum, gas, lumber, and mineral resources aching for the input of foreign capital. These are products U. S. companies would buy in quantities if development is forthcoming and the price is right.

The problem is not the Soviet objection to profits. The Russians are known to be amenable to a formula, worked out in discussion with Japanese businessmen, by which Americans could take out the U. S. share in products — gas, petroleum, lumber and minerals.

The difficulties apparently are of a different nature but what they are is not clear.

Japanese businessmen with access to major amounts of investment capital, industrial know-how and the skilled technicians required, have been negotiating in quite friendly fashion with the Russians for several years. The Japanese have what the Russians want and the Japanese badly need the products that would result from the joint ventures they're discussing. Though some success has been achieved, in the main, the talks go on and on, round and round.

No doors are closed but few are open completely. It seems to be taking forever and a day to work out arrangements.

If the Japanese experience is any criterion, U. S. private investment in any sizable amount, if allowed, is likely to be a long time coming.

Marianne Means

Muskie Feeling The Pressure



WASHINGTON (KFS) — Sen. Edmund Muskie was mousetrapped into the campaign financial disclosure issue — and it was his own darn fault.

Muskie, after months of protesting that it would hurt his campaign if he revealed the names of his contributors, finally this week joined his rivals in public disclosure. But he gained few points for courage or honesty by doing so, because he acted tardily and reluctantly and in response to pressure rather than to promptings of conscience.

The story of Muskie's mishandling of this issue is the latest addition to a pattern of panicky and ill-advised decisions emanating from his campaign headquarters the past four weeks.

It started in New Hampshire, in the final days of the primary contest there. During an all-candidate debate to which Muskie had inexplicably agreed, Sen. George McGovern protested that although he had revealed his contributors, Muskie had refused to do so. McGovern had raised the same complaint many times previously during the primary

campaign and received little public attention.

But Muskie, instead of ignoring the bait, wasted much of his allotted debate time defending himself on the question of public disclosure. Afterward, he carried the quarrel further by dispatching Jack English, a campaign aide, to the central press room to charge that McGovern had tampered with his public donation figures.

McGovern predictably responded with a counterattack of his own, delivered angrily to the reporters in person. Naturally all this name-calling made a better story than the debate itself — and the public disclosure issue suddenly got hot.

Stewart Mott, a McGovern contributor, promptly placed ads in the 25 Florida newspapers with circulation above 10,000. The ads, which ran a few days before the Florida primary, rated the candidates who had promised to reveal their sources of money as great statesmen and drubbed those — principally Sen. Muskie — who had not done so.

Ten days ago, Hubert Humphrey — Muskie's most dangerous rival — announced he meant to make his finances public. Reporters descended on Muskie's headquarters in droves; after a hasty two-day huddle with his staff, Muskie announced that he could do anything Humphrey could do. "The trouble with Muskie," signed a supporter recently, "is that he is not conducting a campaign any more. He's just reacting to what others say and do."

Indeed, the disturbing impression of hit-and-miss decisions may linger far longer in the public mind than the actual question of Muskie's attitude toward open financial disclosure.

Liberalize Rules

WASHINGTON (AP) — Seeking to give minority business enterprises a shot in the arm, President Nixon has proposed legislation to liberalize rules on loans to the minority-run firms.

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"If President Nixon and Premier Chou En-lai can have a frank exchange of views and gain a clearer notion of our differences in an effort to find common ground—we can, too, my dear!"

Troopers Can't Arrest Pot Carriers Go Free

Seven sacks of suspected marijuana and two hashish pipes were confiscated by state police from the Benton Harbor post, after an auto was stopped on I-94 early Sunday.

No arrests were made, and three occupants of the auto, identified as Navy servicemen, were allowed to go on their way.

Release of the suspects — the first of its type to be reported in Southwestern Michigan — was based on a recommendation sent to state police posts from the Michigan attorney general's office.

The attorney general wants to hold off on arrests for possession or use of pot, until April 1, when a new law takes effect. The law, passed by the legislature, removes marijuana from the category of hard drugs. It makes possession or use a misdemeanor.

Formerly, marijuana was considered a hard drug. Felony charges faced persons charged with possession of the substance. The State Supreme Court recently overturned such a felony conviction against John Sinclair, leader of the former Ann Arbor-based White Panther party.

Between now and April 1, when the more lenient law takes effect, state police action on pot cases hangs in the limbo.

State police are a direct arm of state government, and posts will abide by the attorney general's recommendation to lay off, according to the Benton Harbor post.

Persons suspected of using or possessing pot apparently will not be so lucky, if they're stopped by other area police agencies.

The Berrien county sheriff's department, Benton Harbor and St. Joseph city police departments, and the Benton township police department, all reported that no such recommendation has been distributed through their ranks. They all stated Sunday that marijuana arrests will continue to be made now, as in the past.

Controversy over marijuana has boiled up in recent years with proof that its use is becoming widespread, especially among young people from all walks of life. Laws have not been uniform among states, or even within states.

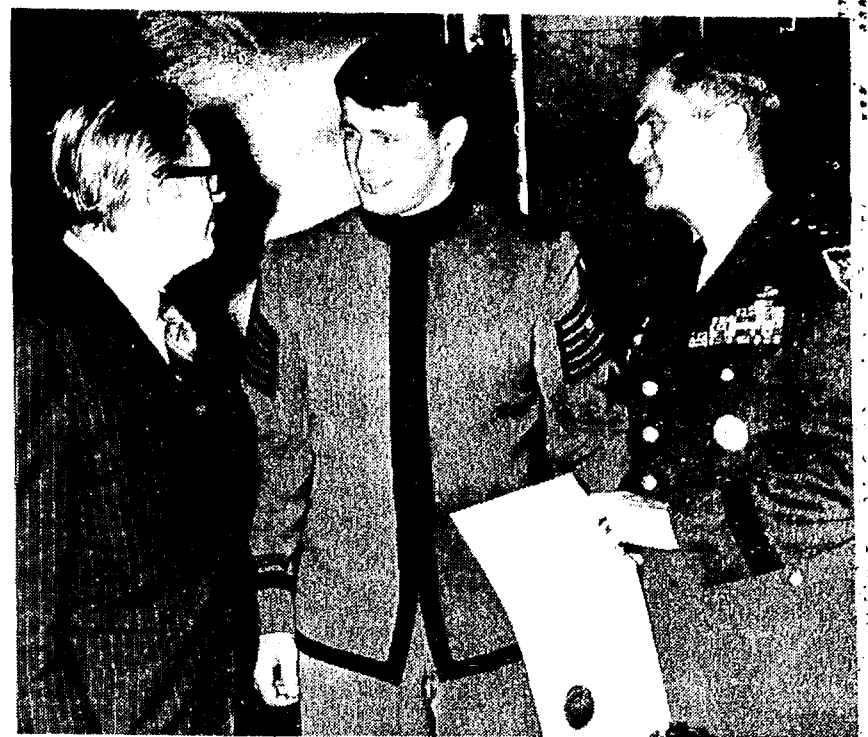
In Ann Arbor, with a large youth population from the University of Michigan, the city council some time ago passed an ordinance that makes use or possession of pot a misdemeanor. Most persons, arrested and so charged in Ann Arbor, have been tried on the city ordinance, rather than the state statute.

The current Twin Cities area case occurred at 4:40 a.m., on the eastbound I-94 freeway, just west of Niles avenue, in St. Joseph township.

Trooper Michael Boone, who filed the report stated that he was on routine patrol duty with Trooper Charles Logenbarger, when an auto without a rear license plate was stopped.

Trooper Boone said a brass-type pipe with a 3/4-foot tube attached was observed on the back floorboard. It was partially filled with a substance believed to be pot. Also found inside the auto were a second pipe and a small sack of suspected pot. Six other sacks were found in the trunk, opened by the driver, who said he and his friends paid \$140 for the substance in Chicago.

Trooper Boone emphasized, however, that the case will remain open, at least until the pipes and substance are analyzed and their disposition determined. The troopers confiscated the items.



CONFERENCE WITH 'ROCKY': Cadet Robert L. Van Antwerp of St. Joseph and Lt. Gen. William A. Knowlton, superintendent of U.S. Military academy conferred with New York Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller after Rockefeller signed resolution proclaiming March 16 as West Point Day in New York, commemorating founding of academy 176 years ago. Van Antwerp is First Captain and Brigade Commander at West Point, highest rank a cadet can hold. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Van Antwerp, Sr., 368 Ridgeway, St. Joseph. (Staff photo)

Tobias Leaving Service Station After 21 Years

After 21 years, C. A. (Toby) Tobias is terminating operation of the Tobias ARCO service station at 300 Main street, St. Joseph.

Tobias, 44, said today he will become bulk plant agent for Standard Oil Co. in the twin cities.

Atlantic Richfield Co. is seeking a new lessee for the station, Tobias said. He will continue operating it until April 1.

Tobias of 856 Lane drive, is St. Joseph mayor pro tem. He was elected a city commissioner in 1963 following five years on the St. Joseph Planning commission. He has been re-elected twice to the city commission.

He has been active in the Berrien County Shrine club and the St. Joseph Masonic lodge No. 437.

Tobias took over operation of the station at Main and Pleasant street Dec. 1, 1950. In 1959 he obtained a Michigan

Public Service permit to tow trucks and had contracts with local truckers for a large section of southern Michigan.

Tobias has three daughters, Mrs. Dino (Cheri) Boufides of Milwaukee, Wis., Cynthia Ellen, a sophomore at St. Joseph High school and Cathy Ann, a Milton Junior High school student.



C.A. (TOBY) TOBIAS

MS Society Holding Stevensville Sessions

Southwestern Branch Chapter Tri-County National Multiple Sclerosis society is holding family counseling sessions 6:15 p.m. Thursdays at the Stevensville Methodist church, Ridge road, Stevensville.

These counseling sessions are conducted by Edward Pumphrey, social worker from Bronson hospital, Kalamazoo. Each session lasts about one and a half hours. All multiple sclerosis patients and their families in Van Buren, Cass and Berrien counties are invited to attend.

For information on the sessions area residents may call Mrs. Norman Holben, Stevensville.



ENGINEER'S LAST RUN: Earl Woodward of 3062 Lincoln avenue, St. Joseph, is set to board C & O engine number 5987 for last run Saturday before retirement. An engineer, Woodward, 65, has worked more than 42

years on the railroad. He joined Pere Marquette in 1929. This became part of C & O later. This run is out of Benton Harbor and is called the local run to Paw Paw. (Staff photo)

Engineer Looks Back Upon Long Career With Trains

BY RALPH LUTZ
Staff Writer

An old railroad man climbed aboard the mammoth diesel locomotive for his last run out of Benton Harbor Saturday.

"You work this job until you grow whiskers, and now I've got the whiskers," mused Earl Woodward before boarding engine number 5987.

This is the local run to

Coloma, Watervliet, Hartford and Paw Paw with stops for shipments at local industrial plants.

Woodward, 65, retired after Saturday's run. His career with Pere Marquette and its successor company, the Chesapeake & Ohio, spanned more than 42 years.

Most of the runs were smooth ones. Some were not. "I've had

some cars hit the train over the years. But no one was ever killed."

Then there was that winter of 1963, bitter cold and "snow so deep that you could reach out from the gondola and scoop it up in your hand." It was during this winter that Woodward was at the controls when the engine and six cars went right off the tracks because of the snow. That was near Paw Paw, and no one was hurt.

"My record is very good, the company tells me," said Woodward. He's been on the local run for the past 13 years and terms it a good place to end a career on an easy note.

Woodward walked into the C & O agent's office at the Benton Harbor depot Saturday and paused to accept a gift from fellow employees. It was the replica of a locomotive. He voiced warm thanks and then walked around engine number 5987, looking it over for the last time.

Woodward went to work for Pere Marquette Oct. 3, 1929. His first job was fireman on an old steam engine, affectionately called a musket loader. This was because fuel was shoveled directly into the boiler. Coal hoppers came later, and in the early 1940's the steam engine was replaced by the diesel that reportedly generates up to 2,000 horsepower.

The advancement from fireman to engineer came in 1945. Over the years, Woodward handled trains hauling passengers and, later, freight. He has always been based in the Twin Cities area.

The Great Depression that lingered through the 1930's is vivid in Woodward's mind today. There weren't many

passengers or freight then, but Woodward kept busy in the round house.

The runs are over now, and Woodward, along with his wife, Doris, plan to rest. He hopes to go south during winters and to Canada to hunt and fish in other seasons. The couple, who resides at 3062 Lincoln avenue, St. Joseph, has two married daughters. They are, Mrs. Connie Byers and Mrs. Kay Bendarsky, of Benton Harbor.

'Chase' Ends In Arrest

Benton Harbor Patrolman Steven DeWitt was on routine duty Saturday on Sixth street at Territorial road, when he saw a motorbike speed by on Territorial, with an auto in apparent "hot pursuit."

DeWitt followed in his patrol car, as the two other vehicles sped through two red traffic lights on Territorial and then headed to Main street and finally into a parking lot by the Vincent hotel.

DeWitt reported that the car, driven by a woman, almost struck the motorbike, driven by a man. After stopping in the lot, the woman was booked for investigation of felonious assault and reckless driving. She was identified as Gertrude Ann Ravitch, 35, of Box 391 West street, Coloma. The man was identified as Phillip Hoffman, 26, who told police he was residing with a relative at North Shore trailer park.

DeWitt said the chase, about 8:50 p.m., apparently stemmed from a quarrel.



HOME SHOW FEATURE: Mr. and Mrs. Art Klug (left) visit with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shuck at the Mono-line Industries, Inc. exhibit at the seventh annual Glenlord Home Center show for builders Saturday at Shadowland, St. Joseph. Shuck is vice president of Mono-line. The Klugs and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McKinney, owners of Glenlord Home Center, were host

to several hundred area builders, government officials and home industry representatives. It was the first time Mono-line exhibited their line of apartment fireplaces and Shepherd Casters' new Ball-B-Que, a new grill. Mono-line is located on Maiden Lane not far from Glenlord Home Center. (Staff Photo)

FOUND IN CAR

BH Man's Death Being Investigated

Benton Harbor police were awaiting the completion of an autopsy to learn details concerning the death of a man, found slumped in the back seat of his auto Saturday afternoon.

The victim was identified as Edward Labeau, 28, of 371 Washington street.

Brought to the home by an unknown telephone caller, police found Labeau across the back seat of the new-model car, parked in the driveway. The gas gauge registered empty and the ignition was turned in the locked position, police said.

Police said Dr. William Benner, a Twin Cities pathologist, is to complete the autopsy to determine the cause of death and how long Labeau had been dead. The call was received at 3:34 p.m.

Labeau was identified by a sister, Mrs. Irish Pierre, 31, of 157 Madeline, Benton township; and a cousin, Mrs. Anita Simmons, 22, of 1318 Ogden avenue, Benton Harbor. Police were told that Labeau's wife, children and parents are currently in New Orleans.

Mr. LaBeau, a resident of Benton Harbor for five years, was born Oct. 13, 1942, in New Orleans, La. He was employed by Bendix Corp. and was a member of the Corpus Christi Catholic church, New Orleans.

Survivors include his widow, Shirley; his father, Edward LaBeau; his mother, Mrs. Althea Dannaway LeBlanc; three sons, Craig, Edward III and Terry; and a daughter, Katrina, all of New Orleans; two sisters, Mrs. Doris DeSalle of Markham, Ill., and Mrs. Iris Pierre of Benton Harbor; and grandparents, Mrs. Geneva Dunnaway of New Orleans and Mrs. Maude Marshall of Benton Harbor.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete this morning at the Finch funeral home.

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Mental Health Agency Makes Startling Growth Van Buren Clinic Budget More Than Doubles In 2 Years

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Paw Paw Bureau
BANGOR — Van Buren county's mental health services clinic, formed in July, 1970, has a growth record that would make any private business envious.

From an initial budget of \$114,200 for the fiscal year 1970-71, the clinic has in two years doubled its revenue and expenditures.

For the fiscal year 1972-73, the agency's budget is an impressive \$245,000, of which an estimated \$185,000 will come from the state. The state provides \$3 in matching funds for every \$1 raised at the local level.

The staff has grown from two fulltime employees to 14 which reflects increasing use of the clinic and the services it provides for schools, doctors, the department of social services, the courts and private citizens who "walk in" for counseling and help.

The precocious vigor of what is essentially an infant organization has probably startled no one more than Marland Bluhm, the agency's 37-year-old administrative director.

Bluhm, in an interview,

admitted that when he was hired he was unaware of any medical, political, social or economic reasoning that enabled an ad hoc committee to persuade county commissioners to make an all-important initial appropriation of \$12,500.

"The program has been more than I had anticipated. I didn't

expect this rapid growth," Bluhm said.

And now, with the administrative and medical staff enabled to provide a wide range of current services, and with a number of proposed programs under study, the agency has outgrown its present headquarters in the basement of the Cooper medical building just west of Bangor on M-43.

Bluhm said the agency's governing board has not yet decided whether to look for a larger facility in a centrally-located part of the county or to go to satellite clinics.

If the unexpected growth of the clinic has changed the face and composition of the mental health services, it has not changed the overall goal of the program.

That goal, Bluhm said, is a monumental job, is at least simply stated: "We want to prevent mental health problems instead of putting a bandage on after they occur."

Other than the obvious medical and social benefits of such a forward-looking philosophy, there is also a definite practical side, Bluhm said.

"Van Buren county, per 1,000 persons in population, ranks third in the state in the number of persons from the county in state mental hospitals," Bluhm said.

Wayne and Kalamazoo counties rank first and second. The county pays for mental hospital costs and these costs amount to about \$10,000 to \$12,000 a month presently, he added.

But by 1977, he said, hospital costs are likely to increase by four times the present rate.

"If we don't develop local programs, the county is going to go broke," Bluhm said.

Several programs now under study would offer advantages to mental patients and the county government, the director said.

One, awaiting approval and funding by the state department of mental health, would use hospitals at South Haven and Paw Paw for in-patient treatment of some — but not all — mental patients.

The patients would be kept at the hospitals for a shorter period of time at a lesser cost to the county, Bluhm said in listing advantages of the proposal which has already received support from medical staffs at both hospitals.

"It would cut the flow of money out of the county," Bluhm predicted, a point that would probably appeal to county and local officials.

Another proposed program would be a series of classes in "child management," not only for parents, but for school teachers, too.

"We have found a fantastic need for parents — and teachers — to learn how to manage a child," Bluhm said.

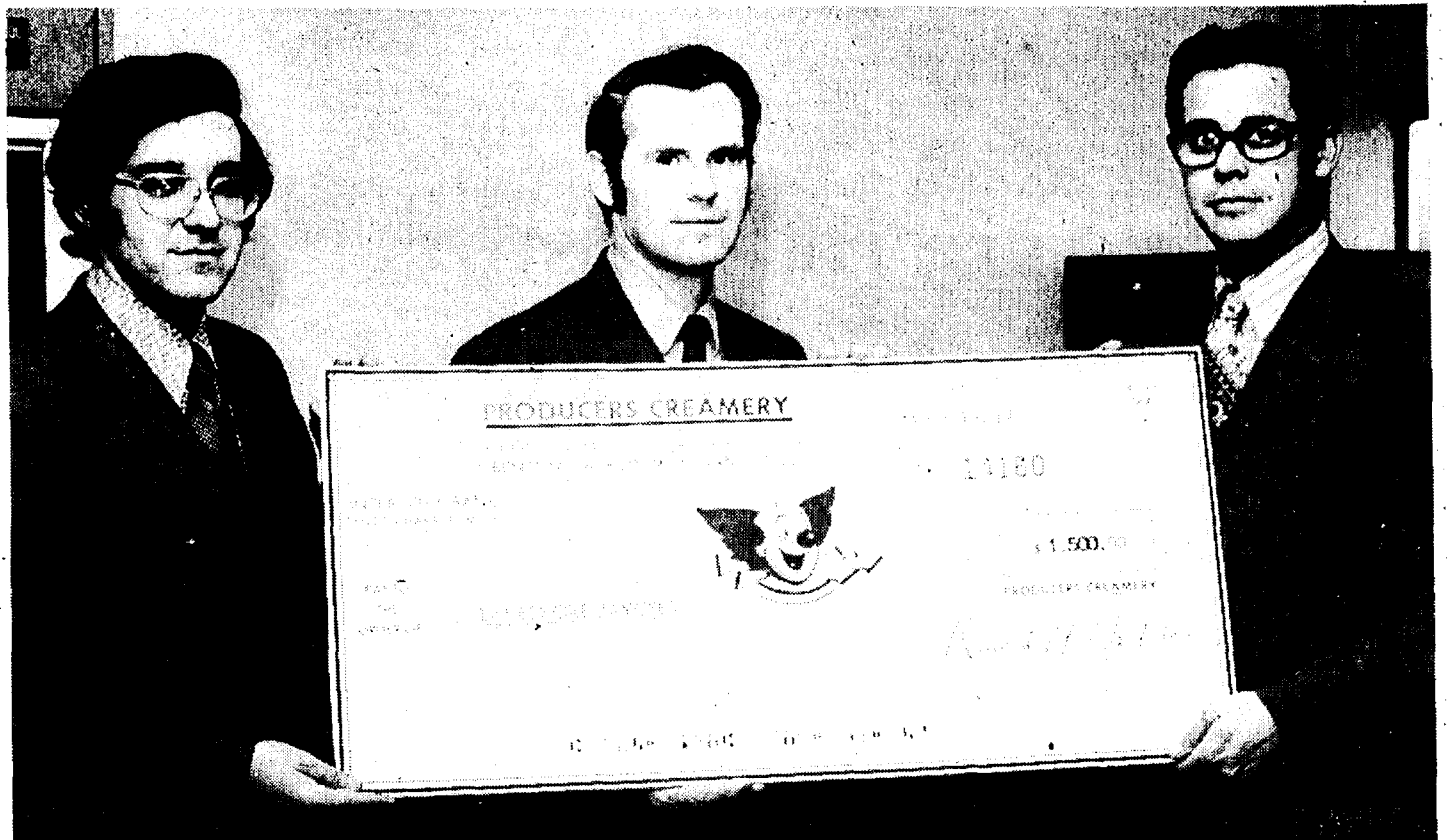
The class would teach adults how to recognize behavioral problems and how to "manipulate the environment" to gain more respect and obedience from children.

The mental health services now provides such consultative services to some schools in the county, but not all.

"In some cases," he said, "schools will kick a kid out of school and then come here seeking answers."

"Obviously, we must get at problems when they are in the infant stages," he said.

There are a number of other programs, some already in



TOWARD HANDICAP CENTER: Producers Creamery Manager Don Werbelow (right) presents king-sized check to Neil Eisenberg (left) and Richard Fanson of Lakeshore Jaycees to underwrite Bozo the Clown show for benefit of proposed Berrien county Rehabilitation Center for the Handicapped. Check purchased 1,200 tickets for one of three Bozo

shows May 27 at Lakeshore high school. Tickets for other two shows will go on sale soon at Hilltop Foods in Benton Harbor, Coloma and St. Joseph and at Ben Franklin store in St. Joseph. Proceeds of show will go toward \$101,500 goal of local matching share for handicapped rehabilitation center. (Staff photo).

Articles About Deaf Called 'Misleading'

News stories and pictures involving the deaf and hearing impaired can be misleading, according to Andrew R. Gantenbein, head teacher in Berrien Springs public schools' nationally known program for hearing impaired children.

Gantenbein, in a letter to this newspaper, states that many news stories are prejudiced in favor of the sign language approach to the treatment of hearing impairments, and that federal aid to programs for the hearing impaired also favor the sign language approach.

Gantenbein's letter states:

"I know that it's impossible to check out every story which you run on the AP Wire Service, but common sense and a little expertise in certain areas might help all of us.

"Last night (March 14th) under the heading 'Rap Session', was a photo of singer Johnnie Ray, talking to students at New York Lexington School for the Deaf. For some strange reason it goes on to read that he's holding a 'talk session in sign language.' This was not true. I personally know the

superintendent of Lexington, Dr. Leo Conner. I just talked with him on the phone. Johnnie Ray used no sign language and the Lexington hearing impaired teenagers used no sign language. They talked to one another, just like you and I talk.

"This release really hurt Lexington and Dr. Conner is at a loss as to how it came out on AP Wirephoto. Johnnie Ray was revisiting Lexington and doing a short video tape promotion.

"Last February 26th, another AP release told of 'Young



ANDREW R. GANTENBEIN

Actress Practices Real Feeling' in portraying Helen Keller. The article was pure fantasy. A 16-year-old spent time wearing noisy headsets to approximate a hearing loss.

Little is related to truth in this stereotype. She was supposed to be acting like Helen Keller by learning 'sign language'. Anyone of us over 40 has seen Helen on the newsreels and heard Helen talking, because the 'Miracle' of Helen Keller was that she was able to speak (several languages in fact). Any 8-year-old, who had never heard of Helen Keller, but who could reason, would know that a blind person could not benefit from a visual sign language.

"It is highly irritating to see what appears to be propaganda infiltrating these 'reliable' sources.

"There is invariably a federal advisor behind media releases for 'sign language'. The federal government has promoted the 'sign language' approach to education of the hearing impaired for the past 150 years. Very few areas of education have had federal dollars as long as the field of education of the hearing impaired child. The only other federally operated schools in the nation are military colleges like West Point and Annapolis.

Federal schools for the 'deaf' (all sign language programs) are Gallaudet College, National Technical and Kendall School.

"Federal funds are earmarked for many state schools for the deaf, many university programs, a national film service (Captioned Films) and a troupe of thespians acting as showmen advisors in the media (National Theater of the Deaf). Ninety percent of these federal programs run counter to the auditory-oral programming of public school normalization in Berrien Springs. We receive no federal funds. Most federal funds work against us.

"Those viewing federal monies as replacements for the local taxes in education might be interested in our frustration. We really have no meaningful input into Washington in this matter."

Fellowship Award Is Granted

Edward Woods of Berrien Springs has been awarded a graduate assistant fellowship by Western Michigan university to work for an increase in racial-ethnic minority enrollment in the College of Graduate studies.

Woods, a former member of the Benton Harbor community education staff, also will provide information on WMU's curricula, sources of financial assistance and summer fellowship programs for advanced degree study.

Interested students can contact Woods at the Western Michigan university center for continuing education, 777 Riverview drive, Benton Harbor.

Announcement of his assistantship award was made by William A. Murrain, director of minority student services at WMU.

Salmon Planting Today

The Department of Natural Resources will release 150,000 coho salmon smolts today at the Benton Township park boat access site.

District DNR fish biologist Dave Johnson says the fish are scheduled to arrive in six trucks between 6 and 7 p.m. The fish are coming from the Wolverine hatchery which is located north of Gaylord.

An additional 50,000 of the six-inch fish, which will return to the St. Joseph River as 10 to 12-pound adults in the fall of 1973, are scheduled to be released at the same spot late Wednesday afternoon.

BH Driver Arrested After Chase

SOUTH HAVEN — Bryan Burke, 26, of route 2, Benton Harbor was arrested by state police from the South Haven post early Sunday after a high-speed chase on US-33.

Troopers said the chase started at US-33 and M-139 and ended several miles away in Van Buren county. Burke was charged with fleeing officers and reckless driving. He was lodged in the South Haven city jail to await arraignment today in Seventh district court.

LMC Transfers Take Four Year College In Stride

Lake Michigan college students who transferred to Western Michigan university last fall apparently experienced no difficulty in adjusting to the academic pace of the four-year university.

The 131 LMC students who transferred to Western Michigan in the fall of 1971 achieved a grade point average of 2.71 on a four-point scale, for the fall semester. This is exactly the same as the cumulative grade point average they earned during their two years at LMC.

According to Tony Swerbinsky, LMC chairman of counseling and guidance, this is not always the case. Usually transfer students experience a slight drop in the grade point average during the initial adjustment semester at a large university. In 1968 the LMC group at Western suffered a drop of .24 from their LMC cumulative average to 2.38 at WMU, and in 1969 a drop of .17 from 2.71 at LMC to 2.54 at WMU.

Even more interesting, according to Swerbinsky, is the fact that, while only 29 per cent of LMC students who transferred to WMU had earned a B average (3.0) or better at Lake Michigan college, 41 per cent earned a B (3.0) or better during their first semester at WMU.

South Haven Woman Accused

SOUTH HAVEN — City police said yesterday that Mrs. Beulah Johnson, 48, route 2, South Haven, is to appear in Seventh District court today on a charge of larceny from a building.

Mrs. Johnson was arrested Friday night following the stakeout of a local beauty parlor which had reported frequent thefts of money from a cash drawer. Officers said they marked several bills and subsequently arrested Mrs. Johnson as she left the Vogue Beauty shop, 265 Center street. Mrs. Johnson was released in lieu of \$500 bond.

PUBLIC INVITED

School Tax Expert To Speak At Sawyer

James L. Phelps, assistant of Gov. William Milliken and a school and taxation expert, will speak to the Sawyer Lions Tuesday in a program open to the public.

Program Chairman Eric Wickstrom said the program, to be held at the Lutheran school, Sawyer, will start at 8 p.m. and the public is invited. Especially invited are school executives who want to hear details of the governor's three-point tax plan.

There will be an opportunity to ask questions after the talk, Wickstrom said.



ARSON SUSPECTED: Arson is suspected in a fire which extensively damaged this unoccupied farm house near Galien Saturday afternoon. Weesaw township fire chief Reggie Richardson said no one had lived in the house on Elm Valley road, owned by Mrs. Bessie Bedek Kotlan of Burwin, Ill., since a fire there in December. He said the fire apparently started on the ground floor near a center wall and burned up through the roof. Berrien sheriff's deputies from Galien sub-station and Weesaw township police are investigating a report that a car was seen in the area immediately before the fire was discovered. Investigators from the state fire marshal's office at Paw Paw are expected at the scene today. (Staff photo)

existence, others in the planning stage, all of which come under the supervision of Bluhm whose salary is \$18,900 yearly.

Some of these include drug abuse programs, a continuing training program — which includes leasing of a 57-acre farm near Bangor — for mentally retarded persons; and a program for helping emotionally disturbed adolescents who might otherwise be forced to go to a children's unit at a state

hospital.

Bluhm gives much of the credit for the growth and success of the mental health services to the agency's 12-member-board made up of non-paid professionals such as doctors, lawyers, nurses and teachers.

Darrell Crose, an elementary school principal in Paw Paw, is presently the board's chairman.

Bluhm described the board as "knowledgeable" and willing

to act once they see evidence of need for programs.

He said the county board of commissioners has also been cooperative in its support of programs.

And while the mental health services program will sooner or later reach a plateau where the percentage of state funding will decrease, Bluhm said the agency will continue to try and provide the services that Van Buren has never had at its fingertips before.